

Docket No.: 1252.1047

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Ravin BALAKRISHNAN, et al.

Serial No. 09/539.872

Group Art Unit: 2672

. Confirmation No. 9242

Filed: March 31, 2000

Examiner: Scott A. WALLACE

A SYSTEM FOR CREATING AND MODIFYING CURVES AND SURFACES For:

## REQUEST TO CORRECT INVENTORSHIP AND RESPONSE CEIVED

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

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Technology Center 2600

Sir:

## Request to Correct Inventorship

It is requested that the inventorship of the above-identified application be corrected in accordance with 37 CFR section 1.48 to add Karan Singh as a co-inventor so that the inventorship will show as co-inventors Ravin Balakrishnan, George W. Fitzmaurice, Gordon P. Kurtenbach and Karan Singh. In accordance with 37 CFR section 1.48(a), enclosed herewith аге:

A Statement by each of the inventors indicating that the error in inventorship arose without deceptive intent

A Combined Declaration/Power of Attorney signed by all of the inventors

A processing fee of \$130.00 as set forth in 37 CFR section 1.17(i)

A Written Consent by Assignee SGI to the change in inventorship

Also filed concurrently herewith is an Assignment of interest by Mr. Singh to SGI.

## Response

In the Office Action mailed May 22, 2002, the Examiner noted that claims 1-39 were pending and rejected all claims. Claims 1-39 remain pending for reconsideration which is requested. The Examiner's rejection is traversed below.

On page 2 of the Office Action the Examiner rejected all claims under 35 U.S.C. section 102(a) as anticipated by ACM Symposium.

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ACM Symposium is the inventors own work and is not prior art under 35 USC section 102(a) (see In re Katz, 215 USPQ 14 (CCPA 1982).

It is submitted that the present claimed invention patentably distinguishes over the prior art and withdrawal of the rejection is requested.

It is submitted that the claims are not taught, disclosed or suggested by the prior art. The claims are therefore in a condition suitable for allowance. An early Notice of Allowance is requested.

If any further fees, other than and except for the issue fee, are necessary with respect to this paper, the U.S.P.T.O. is requested to obtain the same from deposit account number 19-3935.

Respectfully submitted,

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